

IMMENSE CROWD SEES LAUNCHING OF A SUBMARINE

Lake Yards Scene of Initial
Dip of New Craft to Fight
the Kaiser.

PATRIOTISM THE KEYNOTE OF TALKS

The R-21 Takes Water With-
out a Mishap—Cheered by
Thousands of Workers.

Fifteen minutes before scheduled time and amid a deep throated roar from thousands of workmen and spectators U. S. Submarine R-21, the latest product of the Lake Torpedo Boat Co. slid down the ways and into her element yesterday afternoon, while sirens on factories, ships and hundreds of autos tooted, shrieked and howled in a deafening din.

According to the announcement made by the officials of the yard the boat was to slide into the water at 1:40 but the tide was very favorable, at 1:25 and the naval authorities at the yard urged that the opportunity be taken advantage of.

As Mrs. D. C. Lazure, wife of Lieutenant Commander Lazure, U. S. N., standing far out on the beautifully decorated stand which had been erected around the stem of the undersea boat, broke the bottle of champagne against the bow and at the same time said a prayer for the future success and victory of the fighting craft, pandemonium broke loose. Whistles, sirens, horns and hammers intermingled with the wild cheering of thousands created a tumult, the echo of which will be heard in Berlin.

On top of all this the air was thick with waving flags and hats of the men who had pitched them high in their enthusiasm as the gray fighter took to the water.

Immediately the R-21 was safely off the slip she was taken in tow by a tug and escorted to the Lake dock, where a crew immediately set to work at the installation of her machinery. Not a moment was lost for things began to move. Immediately she was brought abreast of the huge lifting crane and the pile of machinery standing ready on the dock.

The thousands assembled were then addressed by Lieutenant Governor Clifford B. Wilson, who gave one of the most rousing patriotic talks the people of Bridgeport ever heard. He reminded the men of their great mission in constructing machinery for the fighters of the country and he told them that every rivet they drove into the hull of a submarine for the United States Navy was a rivet in the coffin of the Hohenzollerns and Kaiserism.

Lieutenant Governor and Mayor Wilson, was followed by the Rev. Alexander Allison, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who offered up a prayer before the big United States flag which was raised on the new government store building. As he finished the prayer the halliards were pulled and the huge flag broke on the breeze, releasing thousands of little flags which were pinned within its folds. These little flags rained over the thousands of people about the speakers' stand and were eagerly sought as souvenirs.

Dr. Allison then launched into an enthusiastic patriotic talk which kept his audience for more than an hour. In the meanwhile many of the people missed seeing one of the completed U boats go on her final trials before being accepted by the U. S. Navy. Officials of the yard thought that they could get the crowd to pay attention to the big sub just starting out for a run on the Sound, but so intent were they upon what Dr. Allison had to say that even a false alarm failed to detract their attention.

Officials of the plant also addressed the men and after they had listened to A. L. Vernon, of the Wheeler & Wilson band play a selection of patriotic airs on a cornet ending with the "Star Spangled Banner" in which everyone joined in a mighty chorus, the men returned to their work and once more the deafening clatter of the riveting guns sounded like batteries of machine guns in action.

RECRUITS WRECK VICTIMS.

Memphis, Tenn., July 11.—Five navy recruits, accepted by the Memphis navy recruiting station, were killed in the N. C. & St. L. wreck near Nashville on Tuesday, according to information received here. They had been sent to Nashville for second examination and were en route back to Memphis to await call.

DIED.

ORE—In this city, July 10, 1918, Carolyn, beloved wife of Jess Orr. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, No. 118 Jones avenue, on Saturday, July 13th, at 8:30 a. m., and from St. Augustine's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Michael's cemetery. P11 b+p

POWERS—In this city, July 10, 1918, Edward Powers. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the funeral home of M. J. Gannon, No. 315 John street, on Friday, July 14th, at 8:30 a. m., and from St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Michael's cemetery. Automobile cortege. P11 b+p

GILBERT—In this city, Wednesday, July 10, 1918, Charles P. Gilbert, aged 71 years, 1 month, 2 days. Friends are invited to attend the funeral at his late residence, No. 39 Gem avenue, on Saturday, July 13th, at 2 o'clock. Interment at Mt. Grove cemetery. P11 b+p

SEMON—In this city, July 9, 1918, Frank F. Semon. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the funeral home of M. J. Gannon, No. 315 John street, on Friday, July 14th, at 8:30 a. m., and from St. Augustine's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Michael's cemetery. P10 b+p

HOWLAND'S

Entrances in Main street, Fairfield avenue and Cannon street

HOWLAND'S

Weather—Generally fair tonight and Friday; slightly warmer tonight.

Store hours:--8:30 to 5 daily except Saturday; then open till 9 p. m.

Real war-time economy is easy now; the Mill End Sale has begun.

Out from all other sales, the Mill End Sale stands.

It is head and shoulders above every other event in the retail life of the city.

And it has begun--for the 41st time.

In its first 27 seconds, 346 keen shoppers came hurrying through the doors to get first pick of the Mill Ends!

Does that mean anything? Of a surety. It means that they had proved the worth of the Mill End in past sales. They know the good things that are ready for Mill Enders. Did they get their share? No doubt of it.

How broad is the Mill End Sale? Just as broad and big and wide and deep as is this big store! It reaches into every department. It includes every sort of merchandise. It is of value to everybody.

Many Mill End savings for everybody---with no exception.

If you've a home, special savings for you and that home.

If you have just yourself, Mill End savings on the very things you most need and will most enjoy.

Mill Enders are the happiest people in town. Better be a Mill Ender right away! Save dollars as you spend them!

THE HOWLAND DRY GOODS CO.

HAS NEW PLAN FOR SELLING THRIFT STAMPS

The way the Thrift Stamp idea is taking hold of the public is shown by the constant increase in the number of business houses which are giving Thrift Stamps by way of discount or allowances or dividend on their sales in connection with cash payments.

The Bridgeport Groceries Syndicate, Inc., is the latest concern to enter into this field. This business house has arranged to give a 4 per cent allowance payable in Thrift Stamps to all of its preferred shareholders who pay their bills for groceries within seven days. It also has arranged a 8 per cent cash discount for all payments within seven days by stores which are not shareholders in the parent concern.

Louis Jones, the vice-president and treasurer of the Bridgeport Groceries Syndicate, Inc., has for a long time been an active exponent of distributing Thrift Stamps in connection with retail sales. Until lately Mr. Jones has conducted two grocery stores in the Jennings Road district, and was the first merchant in this vicinity to inaugurate a system of discount coupons redeemable in Thrift Stamps. With his associates in this new Bridgeport Groceries Syndicate Mr. Jones has carried his idea into the wholesale field. The Bridgeport War Savings Committee is in touch with situation and is watching with

HAS TELESCOPE WHICH HE SAYS WAS "STRAINED"

(From the Buffalo News)
The oldest inhabitant of Little Cockleton possesses a telescope which he never used.

"Why don't you make use of it sometimes, James?" a neighbor asked.

"It used to be a good 'n," James said sorrowfully, "but it's broke now."

"Broken?" the neighbor asked.

"How's that?"

"Well," James replied, "it was such a good'n that I could see the old church steeple five miles away quite plain, but Joseph, the scoundrel, got the lens of it and tried to make out the steeple of the Methodist chapel more'n ten miles away. He tried and tried and couldn't, so that he strained my glass and it's never been right since. Drat Joseph."

TEACH CHILDREN TO SWIM.

The children of the city will have a chance to learn how to swim. The life savers at Seaside park will have a class two or three times a week for children who wish to learn. The days will be set for different playgrounds.

Captain M. A. Baum will instruct the life savers how to teach the children. This plan will not interfere with the activities carried on by the Y. M. C. A.

FOR AN ACHING HEAD
Take Horsford's Acid Phosphate.
Healthful, and most agreeable to the taste. Refreshes and invigorates. Use it in place of lemons.

PLAN MEMORIAL TO J. P. MITCHEL

New York, July 11.—A plan for a memorial for John Purroy Mitchel, financed by popular subscription, was endorsed today by the Publishers' association of New York city. The movement was started by the New York World.

The Publishers' association in resolutions approving the project declared the tragedy of Major Mitchell's death "is a challenge to all to answer willingly every demand for co-operation with the government to the point of sacrifice of substance, personal convenience and even of life."

Men Must Accept Medical Treatment

Board Two may put 20 men of group B class one into the army. These men have claimed exemption on minor physical defects which could be easily cured by having a slight operation. When Judge Pullman asked them why they did not have the defects cured, some of them told him that they could not afford it. Dr. Fyle, the board's doctor, told them that he would give them cards which would admit them into St. Vincent's without charge. A few took advantage of this offer, the rest did not show up. If they are put into the Army they have to accept medical treatment or are liable to be court martialed.

Manufacturers of steel rails have been asked to submit a report about unfilled orders on books as well as information about producing capacity.

Stenographers Are Very Much Needed

The local branch of the Department of Civil Service received the following telegram today from Washington: "Need for stenographers and typists in Washington grows more acute every day. Increase effort to all possible means."

The pay of a stenographer in the Federal service is from \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year. There is a good chance for advancement. The Civil Service holds examinations every Tuesday at the Federal Building. If any wish to take the examination write to William Paul or Wallace A. Smith, Federal Building.

TRAINING MEN EXEMPT.

Those engaged in training men on ground work for aviation in engineering schools are exempt of the draft. The local boards received this notice yesterday from General Crowder. The men are to be put into class five and will be taken into the Enlisted Reserve Corps.

ARMY HEALTH EXCELLENT.

Washington, July 11.—The weekly health report, issued today, says health conditions at home camps continue very satisfactory. Deaths this week were 112; last week 81.

The feature of the Argentine celebration of Independence Day was the absence of German flags.

The names of ten Americans appeared on the Canadian casualties list. Five were killed in action and five wounded.

JAS. G. WOODRUFF DIES AT WINSTED

Winsted, July 1.—James G. Woodruff, president of the W. L. Gilbert Clock Co., died during last night from tumor of the brain. He had been associated with the clock company since he was nine years old. His birthday was August 27, 1842, and his native village was Northfield, in Litchfield.

Mr. Woodruff was a veteran of the Civil war, having enlisted in the state militia a few days after the firing on Fort Sumter and then being sworn into the Union service and being sent to Washington.

Mr. Woodruff served in the legislature in 1907 and had been connected with the Hurlbut National bank as director, the First National bank and several industrial concerns here. In 1900 he became president and treasurer of the clock company and was active in its affairs until three months ago.

OBITUARY

ISAAC BATTERSON.

Isaac Battersson, 85 years of age, a retired market gardener and one of the oldest of Stratford residents died yesterday afternoon at his home, 1207 Linden avenue. Mr. Battersson was a very successful gardener for many years, but a few years ago his health failed him and he was forced to retire. Many people called Mr. Battersson P. T. Battersson's double, for he resembled him very much, even up to a few weeks prior to his death. The funeral will be held tomorrow after-

noon from his home, and interment will be in Union cemetery.

CHARLES P. GILBERT.

Charles P. Gilbert, of 29 Gem avenue, died suddenly while sitting on his porch last evening. He was 71 years of age, a foreman at the Union Metallic Cartridge company and a prominent member of several Masonic bodies here. His wife died last April. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon, interment to be in Mount Grove cemetery. Hamilton Commandery, Knights Templar will accompany the body to the cemetery, where they will hold burial services.

FRANK BATCH.

Frank Batch was buried yesterday afternoon from the mortuary chapel of August G. Baker, 1297 Stratford avenue, interment in Lakeview cemetery. Rev. Daniel M. Lewis read the committal services, and George Englehardt, secretary of the Clear Maker's Union, from which there was a delegation, had charge of the funeral arrangements. The bearers were Joseph P. Charbonneau, Andrew Griffin, Herman F. Michaels, Charles E. Thies, Fred. Dorey, and Joseph Hanlon.

Y. M. C. A. WORKERS HELD.

Paris, July 11.—Three American Y. M. C. A. workers have been sentenced to confinement by a general court martial on charges of attempting to evade censorship regulations. On their release they will be returned to America.

Fifty-four girl workers were killed when German airmen made a raid on La Panne, Belgium.